

COURT HOUSE

CIRCUIT COURT.

Circuit Clerk Elliott states that the largest criminal docket in years awaits the June term of the Circuit Court when it convenes June 6. Not only is there a large criminal docket, but the number of civil cases is so great that the court will be kept busy every day during its allotted time in order to dispose of all business.

Circuit Clerk Elliott has received word from the St. Louis Court of Appeals that appeals have been dismissed in that court in the following cases for want of prosecution on the part of the appellant:

Charles Nulton et al vs. Joseph E. Sterner, contract.

D. A. Beamer vs. J. H. Springer et al, notes.

Nora Kelly vs. E. T. Chrisman, slander.

Dennis G. Jennings vs. W. S. and Leona Cox, auto accident on road 3 miles south of Centralia.

Sam Lears vs. Providence Washington Insurance Co., insurance policy.

J. B. Hawkins vs. C. & A. Railroad, personal injury.

PROBATE COURT.

In the estate of Charles Edward Mongler the guardian filed report showing balance due guardian of \$63.55 and other securities.

In the estate of Nellie T. Johnson the guardian filed annual report cash balance on hand \$588.45 and securities to the amount of \$1,050.

In the estate of J. S. Gorrell the administratrix filed account and vouchers for the semi-annual settlement showing a balance due estate of \$2,867.35.

In the estate of Mill R. Davis the executor filed account and vouchers for semi-annual settlement showing balance due estate of \$1,344.90.

In the estate of Samuel P. Tinley the administratrix filed account and vouchers for semi-annual settlement showing balance due estate of \$5,586.76.

In the estate of Martha A. Carr the administrator filed account and vouchers for semi-annual settlement showing a balance of cash on hand \$2,029.87, besides other securities.

In the estate of Sam C. King the administrator filed voucher and accounts for semi-annual settlement showing balance due estate \$397.30.

In the estate of Willard Potts the executor filed account and vouchers for semi-annual settlement showing balance due the estate of \$17,378.34.

In the estate of Nancy C. Turner the administrator filed account and vouchers for semi-annual settlement showing balance due the estate of \$614.73.

Miss Luna L. Ball filed application for pension for blind as provided under a statute of the Fifty-first General Assembly.

In the estate of Opal McCowan the guardian filed report showing the balance due guardian \$56.08 cash and other securities amounting to approximately \$1,200.

In the estate of Sallie T. Johnson the guardian led annual report showing cash balance on hand \$868.45 and other securities to the extent of \$1,050.

In the estate of Laura M. McEl-Haney the executor filed account and vouchers for semi-annual settlement showing a balance due the estate of \$863.05.

In the estate of Nancy D. Nichols the administrator made proof of publication, filed report and vouchers showing a balance due the estate of \$691.34.

In the estate of E. B. Norris the executor filed account and vouchers for semi-annual settlement showing balance due the estate of \$1,156.10.

In the estate of G. W. Phillips the administrator filed inventory and appraisal.

Wm. Snell to B. A. Brown, Quit Claim, Consid \$1. 220 acres secs 3 and 70 in 50-10.

Rosalee Farrah to Clyde Phillips Warranty Consid. \$450. 1/2 int in lots 6 and 7 Block 2 Hisey Cassidy's Addition.

Rosalee Farrah Gdn to Clyde Phillips Gdn Deed Consid \$450 1/2 int in lots 6 and 7 Block 2 Hisey Cassidy's Addition.

George Eller by Trustee to Sparks-White Lumber Co., Tr. Deed cons \$2340, 72 acres in 33-51-5.

E. E. Vannoy to Elmer Feathers, Warranty Cons \$500. Lots 7 and 8 Shotwell's Add. to Farber.

Fred Brandt to E. E. Vannoy Warr Cons \$53.56 Lots 7 and 8 Blk 4 Shotwell's Add. Farber.

John Gamble to Elmwood Cemetery Association, Deed of Endowment \$150, Lot 16 Blk P and Lot 142 Blk G Elmwood Cemetery.

Frank Armistead to Merideth Armistead, Warr Cons \$1 40 A in 29-51-9.

Tirza A. Avery to C. A. Wilder, Warr Cons. \$1 and other consir. Lot 8 Blk 5 Lots 6 and 5 Blk 7 Orig. Laddonia.

Olivia Hord Cook to Mabel Hord Walker Warr Cons. 500 Lot 2 Blk 2 Lakenan & Barnes Add. Mexico.

International Shoe Co., of Missouri to International Shoe Co., of Delaware Warranty Consid \$1.00.

Lots 1, 2, 9, 8, 10 and pt of 3 Blk 2 of Morris's Add.

Effie McIntosh et al to Charles Fry, Warr Cons \$400, Lot 2 Blk 22 Ladd's Add.

SENIOR PLAY AT M.M. PLEASES LARGE CROWD

"The Irrepressible Marmaduke," given to a large crowd by the McMillan Seniors Thursday night, proved to be an unusually clever little play, given with creditable finish and with characteristic "pop."

John Bybee in the title role gave a convincing portrayal of the young fellow who has lost his one true love, Elizabeth White made a charming Lady Althea and Arthur Gibbs, as the "Juggernaut," a hasty, irascible step-father, kept up his end most satisfactorily. Mary Ridgway was Lady Susan, by turns the consoling sister and the dictatorial aunt.

Betsy Worrell, as Patricia O'Brien, took the part of the young niece in the household and did some very clever acting, as did Gertrude Landrum who played the part of the ever-present and over-efficient secretary. William Botts as the doctor and Martha Pratt as the maid were very good.

Merle Crigler was both effective and realistic in the part of the dissipated son, the real Marmaduke. Earl Precht and Leroy Thomas also did their share toward keeping up the well balanced cast and making this senior play a long-to-be remembered one.

Great credit is due to Misses Welch and Culbertson for the coaching and staging of the play, to Earl Precht for the business management and to Miss Etheridge and Leo Hansel for the decorating.

HATTON-CONCORD.

Mrs. Mollie Bright spent several days with Mrs. Tinscher in Fulton last week. — Mrs. West Muir of Oklahoma is visiting her son, Oran Muir and family. — Mrs. Annie Tinscher of Fulton was out last week visiting friend. — The farm club shipped some hogs for Lee Creed Monday. — Roy Mayhew visited Shank's Creed and family last week. — Zeak Conner is helping Joe Holt plant corn this last week. Quite a bit of corn has been planted as the weather has been so nice and the corn planters are still clicking along. — The wheat in this part of the county has begun to head and is looking fine. Oats are doing nicely also. The outlook is for a big crop of both. — Miss Jennie Cannel left last Monday to visit her brother in West Virginia. His wife is sick and is reported very low. — Misses Mary Novey and Edith Satterfield are home from Auxvasse where they attended the high school this year. Both these young ladies made good grades and were promoted. — Mrs. Zeak Conner is on the sick list.

Receives Harding's Picture

A large lithographed photo of President Harding, in a neat, artistic frame, now occupies a conspicuous position on the wall of the Postmaster's office. The picture is the gift of L. McF. Gamble, chairman of the Audrain County Republican Committee.

A strong team having the breaks in their favor contributed largely to the defeat of the M. M. A. nine underwritten at the hands of the Kirksville Osteopaths on the Academy Field Friday afternoon. The score was 8 to 5. This makes 11 straight victories for the Osteopaths, who, luckily for M. M. A. are not in any conference.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Squires, J. J. Garard, Jack Garard, Mrs. R. M. Garard, Mrs. Morton Pemberton and son, Miss Martha Pool, all of Centralia, visited Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Morris Sunday.

Elijah Green, of Farber, who has been seriously ill at Audrain Hospital, is improving.

Mrs. M. M. Sheeley is improving after an operation at Audrain Hospital.

James H. Rachels to Douglass Garrett, Warr Cons \$1, Lot 99 Blk P eBatty's Add.

Cassie Kallerhals to H. Egbert Miller, Warr Cons \$1000. 1/2 Lot 5 Blk 3 Clark's Add.

Onie Stephenson to H. B. McKinley Warr Cons \$2600, SE NW 25-51-9 Mexico Property.

City of Vandalia to Margaret Morgan Cem Deed Cons \$10 Lot 14 Blk L Vandalia Cemetery.

Olivia Jackson to James W. Woods Warr Cons \$1800, Pt of Lot 21 Mrs. Parks' So Add.

Effie McIntosh et al to C. E. Clarke Warr Cons \$1 1/2 of SE NW 25-51-9 Mexico Property.

Onie Stephenson to C. E. Clarke, Warr Cons \$200, Pt of SE NW 25-51-9, Mexico Property.

Mort Lantz to Emma V. Hughlath, Warr Cons \$1000. Lot 6 Blk 11 Criglers Add Martinsburg.

Effie McIntosh to Onie Stephenson Warr Cons \$1. Pt of 25-51-9.

Effie McIntosh et al to Henry Brown, Warr Cons \$500. Lot 6 Blk 12 Ladd's.

Mary Fonville to City of Mexico, Cem ded Cons \$10, E 1/4 lot 40 Blk 1 Elmwood.

ADJOURNED?

By ALICE BORDEN STEVENS

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"Dot and carry, dot and carry! Bob's crutch struck the stony ground and lifted, as in regular swing he skipped down the hill road in his own eccentric way, one shoulder lifted by the crutch, the other drooping with the head of the well known.

"Have a ride?" The sweet voice rang above the chug of the engine as the automobile came to a sudden stop. "Going to the village? I'll give you a lift." She spoke in a careless, comradely voice, as though every day she took in unknown cripples and landed them at unknown destinations.

"Sure!" he cried, deftly lifting himself through the door to the back seat of the touring car. Doris Berkeley didn't offer to help. She released the brakes and slid into the road again. "Where to, oh prince?"

"Golf links," he replied. "Golf! All right; here goes." The road was winding, now through woods and now along cliffs dipping to the river. The car ran with an occasional catch. "Brake out of order? Can I help?" Bob Randall listened. "Knocking, isn't she? Oh, all right. I didn't mean to butt in; go on, please."

Doris laughed. "I am sensitive about my driving, I suppose. I've had all luck all day; now do you dare ride with me?"

"To the death," said Bob, more solemnly than he intended.

Inwardly he was swearing at his wooden leg and luck generally; but he did know the value of a brave front, and used it. With all the money in the world, had he a right to ask any woman to marry half a man? The dash and snap resolution that had made him a remarkable aviator gave him many a jolt as he limped through his days, by deciding on a future course sure to please his glorious spirit, only to find it impossible in his maimed body, however expert he might become in the use of makeshift limbs and tools. So, with his heart and soul insisting: "Thou art the girl," his mind and will clamped down the lid of desire with the iron of fair play.

"There! It's jammed again! Oh—can you jump? You can't, of course!"

It was tugged at the wheel in despair but it would not move.

"We're going over—I'm sorry—" and she held the wheel as the fence crashed with the impact.

The car pitched at right angles into the top of a tall sapling, and slid, jerked, buzzed, down its bending length to the beach beneath, stopping with the front wheels in the water. The slide of 20 feet was, thus broken, not more exciting than a good loop-the-loop at the park; but the girl felt the grip of responsibility before there was time for fear, and the man cursed his impotency to help as a man who was not a wreck—a thing—an idiot—might help. To be strong—and useless!—what a pain!

All was still. Doris unfolded from the bottom of the car where she had dropped her head and peered over the seat.

"What? Aren't you dead? Thank heaven, though I've little right to even speak of heaven, after risking your life this way. How could I guess it would be so? It did it this morning, and landed me in the ditch, but the garage man said it was all right now."

"Turned it too hard, that's all." Bob unscrambled the real and the artificial of his belongings and crept from the car. Holding by the back wheel, he handed her the crutch.

"Can you vault? If you can, you won't get wet. I don't know how we will get out of this. He looked up the sheer face of the cliff, "but first, let's get out of the machine, anyway. Sure, you're all right?"

"Why, they're alive!"

"Not after that fall!" The voices came incredulously from above their heads.

Leaning over the rail, two scared faces took account of conditions below. "Can you walk?"

"Sure!" called Bob, "if we had a chance." He looked up and down the rocky shore dubiously.

"How is the car?"

"It looks all right; wet, of course." "Well, wait, and we'll get ropes and things from the garage."

When the climb was made with the aid of engines and pulleys and many strong arms and ingenious minds, two people rather shaken now that it was over, sat in the back seat, the girl smiling tremulously, but finding courage in the face of the man.

"Do you still want to go to the golf grounds," she said.

"Well—under the circumstances—"

"Say," broke in a gruff and practical voice, "that engine would go if it wasn't wet. As it is, we're going to tow you home; take the wheel, one of you!"

"Meeting adjourned," whispered Bob, as he helped Doris over to the driver's seat. "There's to be a happy ending, isn't there?"

She smiled and leaned a bit on his shoulder as she passed.

"See—adjourned," she said, and he braced his good foot against the iron rail, and dreamed strong dreams as they went on their way. Perhaps there was still in him, after all, a power to serve.

Needed Boiling Down.

Walter—Was the dinner cooked to suit you, sir?

Dinner—Yes, all but the bill. Just take that back and boil it down a little.

Mrs. C. H. Crimmel and little son, Larry Wales, of Eldorado, Kas., are the guests of Mrs. Crimmel's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Wales, of this city.

Joe Sumner who was painfully injured in an accident in St. Louis some weeks ago is spending a week with home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward M. McGee of Chicago are visiting home folks in Mexico.

The AMERICAN LEGION

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POST GETS ARTISTIC RANGE

Chicago Organization Acquires Use of Famous World's Fair Field Museum Building.

The American Legion will soon have the use of a building known to millions in America as the embodiment of beauty in art and architecture, the old Fine Arts building of the 1893 World's Fair. The crack of army rifles will be heard in the famous structure, for it has been turned over to the Hyde Park post, No. 34, of the Legion in Chicago, as an indoor rifle range.

The large edifice, known as the old Field museum after the World's fair, was evacuated with the completion of the new Field museum. Various organizations of Chicago immediately besieged the park commissioners for permission to use the building, but the Legion post's request alone was granted.

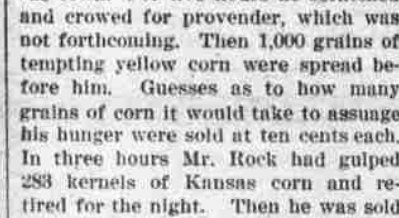
Legionnaires now have a rifle range de luxe, one that will tend to erase the veterans' memories of sweltering days, shivering days and cold, moist days spent in trying to locate the bulletpoint on the army's outdoor firing points. The building is so large that a 200-yard range was established without difficulty, along with the shorter distances.

GETS MONEY FOR W. A. A. L.

Hungry Rooster Proves Gold Mine for Woman's Organization in Kansas.

How many grains of corn will a terribly hungry rooster eat after he has missed his meals for five hours? The Plymouth Rock in the photograph tucked away 283 grains in record time and made \$328 for the Women's Auxiliary of the American Legion in Cimarron, Kan.

The bird was placed in a show window on the main street in the Kansas town. For five hours he scratched and crowed for provender, which was not forthcoming. Then 1,000 grains of tempting yellow corn were spread before him. Guesses as to how many grains of corn it would take to assuage his hunger were sold at ten cents each. In three hours Mr. Rooster had gulped 283 kernels of Kansas corn and retired for the night. Then he was sold



Mrs. Leah L. Klein, Cimarron, Kan., and the Lucrative Rooster.

twice, given back to the women, and was finally auctioned off. In all, he netted \$328, a fraction more than \$1.15 for every grain of corn he ate.

Mrs. Leah L. Klein, national executive committee woman from the Kansas department of the Auxiliary, handled the contest. One of the most active workers for the Auxiliary in her state, Mrs. Klein was educated in Wellesley college and in the New England Conservatory of Music. Her husband, who was a captain in the medical corps, was gassed in the Argonne-Meuse offensive.

THE AMERICAN LEGION GIRL

Miss Margaret Sousa, Daughter of Famous Bandmaster, Acquires New Title.

Miss Margaret Sousa, daughter of John Philip Sousa, famous band director, has acquired a new title. She is known as the "American Legion Girl" because of her starring in a Legion motion picture, "Lost We Forget," a film depicting the struggles of disabled veterans to obtain justice and employment conditions among those who escaped injury in the World war.

Reporting to Davy Jones. Sam, on board the transport, had just been issued his first pair of hole-nails.

"One thing, snah," he ruminated. "If Ah falls overboard, ah certainly will go down at tenehna."—American Legion Weekly.

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Cost of Living in Paris. The cost of living in Paris is not as exorbitant for an American, who is paid in American dollars, according to a letter from a member of the Paris Post of the American Legion.

"Beware the big restaurants and duck into the side streets unfrequented by tourists," the veteran warns. "I had a fine meal today for 8.50 francs, or about fifty cents."

"The menu included: Friture de de Loire, 1.50 francs; omelette champagne, 2.25 francs; Chateaubriand (which is fried spuds and watercress), 2.50 francs; celeri braise, 75 centimes; macaroni, 75 centimes and fromage, 75 centimes."

"And after the meal, cafe cognac for 95 centimes!"

Miss Mae Primm of Centralia and William Deaton of Petrolia, Texas, were issued a marriage license at the Recorder's office Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Noll visited in St. Louis Monday.

Rev. C. A. Mitchell has returned home after attending the Westminster-Central Debate in Fulton Tuesday night.

B. G. Reavis, who has been confined at Amanda Hospital will return to his home Friday.

Tom Atchison, wife and daughter, of Alton, Ill., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Atchison in this city. Mr. Atchison is manager of the Kinloch Telephone Company in Alton.

Mrs. Ralph Costworth and baby were discharged from the Audrain Hospital Monday morning.

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AN ALL-AROUND LEGION MAN

Michigan's Newly Appointed Head of National Service Division is Equipped With Information.

A sailor, a traffic cop, a first sergeant, an assistant provost marshal and a patient in a army hospital for almost two years, Albert E. Haan of Michigan, newly appointed head of the American Legion's national service division, is well equipped to minister to the needs of ex-service men.

Mr. Haan gained the rank of captain on the battlefield and was severely wounded in action at Juvigny, France, while serving with the Thirty-second division. In Walter Reed hospital, Washington, for more than a year, he found out what the government intended to do for the wounded by studying plans and legislation concerning the subject. Discharged from the hospital last fall, he was made a special representative of the bureau of war risk insurance.

In army and navy camps he was instrumental, through the American Legion, in causing the reinstatement or conversion of \$5,000,000 in war risk insurance. In Michigan last November, as field representative of the war risk bureau, he directed a cleanup of hospital, insurance and compensation claims that placed the state ahead of all others in welfare accomplishments.

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Mr. Haan is twenty-eight years old. Coming out of high school, he entered the United States navy as an apprentice seaman. He served four years on the U. S. S. Idaho and was discharged as a quartermaster, second class. He then became a motor and traffic policeman in Grand Rapids, Mich. In 1916, he went to the Mexican border as a first sergeant in the Michigan Infantry. Before he entered the lines in France, he was assistant provost marshal at St. Nazaire, as a first lieutenant. Before the battle in which he was wounded, he had served in three offensives.

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